



APPROVED MINUTES

Legislative Committee Meeting (Teleconference)

Tuesday, August 10, 2010

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Committee Members

Tom Scott (Chair)
Belinda Barragan
Eric Holm

Executive Officer

Antonette Sorrick

Board Staff

Cenne Jackson

Guests

John Perry, DCA Legislative Review Unit
Lara Dunbar, California Restaurant Association (CRA)
Shannon Dillon, California Association of Guide Dog Users (CAGDU)
Frank Welte, California Council of the Blind (CCB)
Chuck Jordan, Guide Dogs of America (GDA)
Tina Thomas, CAGDU

AGENDA

1. Welcome (Roll Call) (T. Scott)

Committee Chair Scott called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Roll was taken and a quorum was established to conduct the meeting. Chair Scott welcomed attendees and requested self-introductions.

2. Approval of Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes April 23, 2010 (T. Scott)

Committee Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve the April 23rd Meeting Minutes. Committee Member Barragan motioned to accept the Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2010 as written. Committee Member Holm seconded the motion.

Committee Vote: Motion passed.

3. Legislation (T. Scott)

a. AB 1659 (Huber) – State Government: Agency

Committee Chair Scott reported that AB 1659 was referred to the Senate Appropriations Suspense file on August 2, 2010. Staff recommended continuing to watch the bill.

b. AB 2130 (Huber) – Professions and Vocations:

Committee Chair Scott reported that AB 2130 was on the Senate Floor for a vote. Staff recommended continuing to watch the bill.

c. SB 250 (Florez) – Dogs and Cats; Spaying and Neutering

Committee Chair Scott reported that SB 250 was placed on the Assembly Inactive File on April 19, 2010. No further action was taken.

d. SB 294 (Negrete McLeod) – Regulatory Boards Operations (status/position)

Committee Chair Scott reported that SB 294 was on the Assembly Floor and would be read for the third time August 10. John Perry (DCA) advised the Committee and the attendees that the Senates Business Professions and Economic Development Committee had established a new Sunset Review schedule. SB 294 would put the proposed schedule into statute, while the purpose of AB 1659 and AB 2130 was to replace the current committee that had oversight of the Sunset Review process with another committee. DCA expressed a desire to continue having their Boards and Bureaus reviewed by the Joint Committee on Boards and Commissions as opposed to the committee that would be established by AB 1659 and AB 2130.

e. SB 389 (Negrete McLeod) – Retroactive Fingerprint Submission

Committee Chair Scott reported that SB 389 was dead. The bill was referred to the Assembly Public Safety Committee on July 7, 2009 and had not moved. Executive Officer Sorrick reported that the bill was never heard by the Public Safety Committee and would have to be reintroduced in to a new bill next session.

f. SB 1491 (Senate Business Professions and Economic Development Committee) – Professions and Vocations

Committee Chair Scott reported that SB 1491 was on the Assembly Consent Calendar. Chair Scott was optimistic that the bill would pass the State Assembly and asked for a motion to draft a letter to the Governor urging him to sign SB 1491. Committee Member Holm motioned to draft a letter to the Governor urging signature of SB 1491. Committee Chair Scott seconded the motion.

Committee Vote: Motion passed.

g. H.R. 5381 (Rep. Waxman, Henry A.) – Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 2010 (status)

Committee Chair Scott reported that HR 5381 was placed on the Union Calendar on July 14, 2010. Chair Scott asked for a motion to support the Motor vehicle Safety Act of 2010. Committee Member Barragan motioned to support the bill. Committee Member Holm seconded the motion.

Committee Vote: Motion passed.

h. H.R. 3266 (Rep. Klein, Ron) – Wounded Warrior K-9 Corp. (status)

Committee Chair Scott reported that H.R. 3266 was referred to the House Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity on July 24, 2009 and had not moved since. A letter of support was sent to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity on December 3, 2009. Staff recommended continuing to watch the bill.

i. H.R. 4378 (Rep. Kissell) - To amend the Americans with Disabilities Act to require that the same access to transportation and public accommodations be afforded to certified trainers of service animals as is afforded under such Act to individuals with disabilities who use such service animals.

Committee Chair Scott reported the H.R. 4378 was referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties on March 1, 2010. Staff recommended continuing to watch the bill.

4. Items for the Next Meeting

No items were discussed for placement on the next agenda.

5. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

Shannon Dillon (CAGDU) wanted to know if the Board would ever consider legislation that would waive licensure requirements of a guide dog instructor provided that the handler signs a waiver indicating that they have read and understood the practices of the Board and understand that should anything go wrong that they will not be protected by the Board. Executive Officer Sorrick reported that the Board is currently looking into language that would allow an out-of-state school the ability to work a percentage of time in California for follow-up services for a fee, but the Board would not consider waiving licensure requirements for working in this State. Ms. Dillon wanted to know when this topic would be coming up for discussion and Executive Officer Sorrick advised her that it would be up for full discussion at an upcoming Board Meeting.

6. Adjournment

Committee Member Barragan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Holm seconded the motion. Committee Chair Scott adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.